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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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KOJI NAKAGIRI, et al.)
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Application No.: 09/698,052)
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Filed: October 30, 2000)
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING)
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APPARATUS, INFORMATION)
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PROCESSING METHOD,)
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AND STORAGE MEDIUM)
:)
STORING COMPUTER-READABLE)
PROGRAM THEREIN : January 26, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants
respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the following
U.S. Application:

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a
copy of the application specification, claims and drawings
for the foregoing U.S. Application is enclosed.

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Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,


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